AN ART'S... OTHER NAME...?

I GUESS THE CURATOR NEVER TOLD YOU.

'KITSCH'.

ARTS ARE ALWAYS THROWN ASIDE WHEN THEIR POPULARITY FADES.

WHEN THAT HAPPENS, ALL THAT'S LEFT IS A KITSCH.

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WHEN A KITSCH RETURNS TO A HUMAN FARM, THEY CAN NEVER READJUST THEMSELVES TO THAT LIFE. SO THEY END UP IN THE SLUMS.

THAT'S HOW ARTS ALWAYS END.

AND YOU THINK YOU CAN CALL OTHER HUMANS OBJECTS?

YOU'RE LYING...

HOW LONG DO YOU THINK YOU CAN KEEP LIVING AS AN ART?

YOU'RE LYING!!

YOU'RE STILL YOUNG, SO IT'S NOT TOO LATE. YOU CAN STILL SURVIVE, EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT AN ART.

INSTEAD OF REGRETTING IT LATER, DO SOMETHING ELSE AND...

WHAT DO YOU KNOW...?

WHAT THE HELL... DO YOU KNOW...?

STOP PRETENDING TO KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!

...I WAS WARNING YOU OUT OF CONCERN.

LIAR!

IS IT FUN TRICKING OTHER PEOPLE LIKE THAT?! I WON'T FALL FOR IT!

I KNOW YOUR TRUE SELF!

YOU'RE A LIAR!

I DON'T LISTEN TO LIARS!

DASH

UH...?

TAP TAP TAP

... ...

TAP TAP TAP

ARTS ARE ALWAYS THROWN ASIDE WHEN THEIR POPULARITY FADES.

UGH...

I HAVE NO INTENTIONS OF BUYING ARTS.

ALL THAT'S LEFT IS A KITSCH.

THAT'S HOW ARTS ALWAYS END.

GET OUT!

AHH...

HOW'S... THE JOB GOING?

ARGHHH!!

THUD

...?!

STEP

PLAY ROOM...

CREAK...

...YEAH.

I'M
AN ART.

THAT'S THE
ONLY WAY
I'LL
SURVIVE.

IF I CAN'T BE
THAT...

I'LL HAVE TO DO
THAT JOB...

BOOM...

CREAK...
...THE RUMORS WERE TRUE.
YOU REALLY HAVE BEAUTIFUL GRAY EYES.

WILL YOU FOLLOW ME?

IF YOU LEAVE THIS FARM, YOU'LL BE GIVEN ANYTHING YOU WANT. YOU'LL BE GIVEN A NEW LIFE.

ALL VAMPIRES WILL LOVE YOU.

...REALLY?

IN THAT CASE...

IF THAT'S TRUE...

...!

BLINK

AH...

SHIVER...

OH YEAH, I CAME BACK HERE...

... .

THAT BANKER BASTARD SAID MASTER SHELL SUMMONED HIM. THAT MEANS THEY COULD BE COMING HERE.

IF THAT HAPPENS...

THIS TIME, I'LL MAKE SURE, AND...

CLACK

HUH? HE'S HERE...?

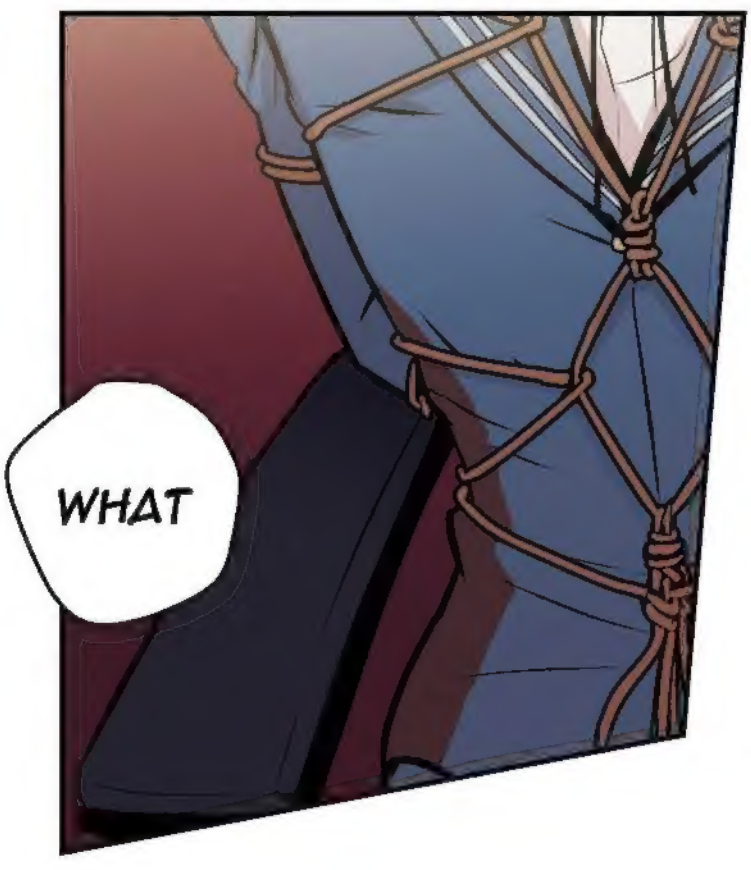
WOOSH

AH...?!

YOU-!

!

H-HOW DID HE KNOW?
I DIDN'T EXPECT THIS...!


WHAT

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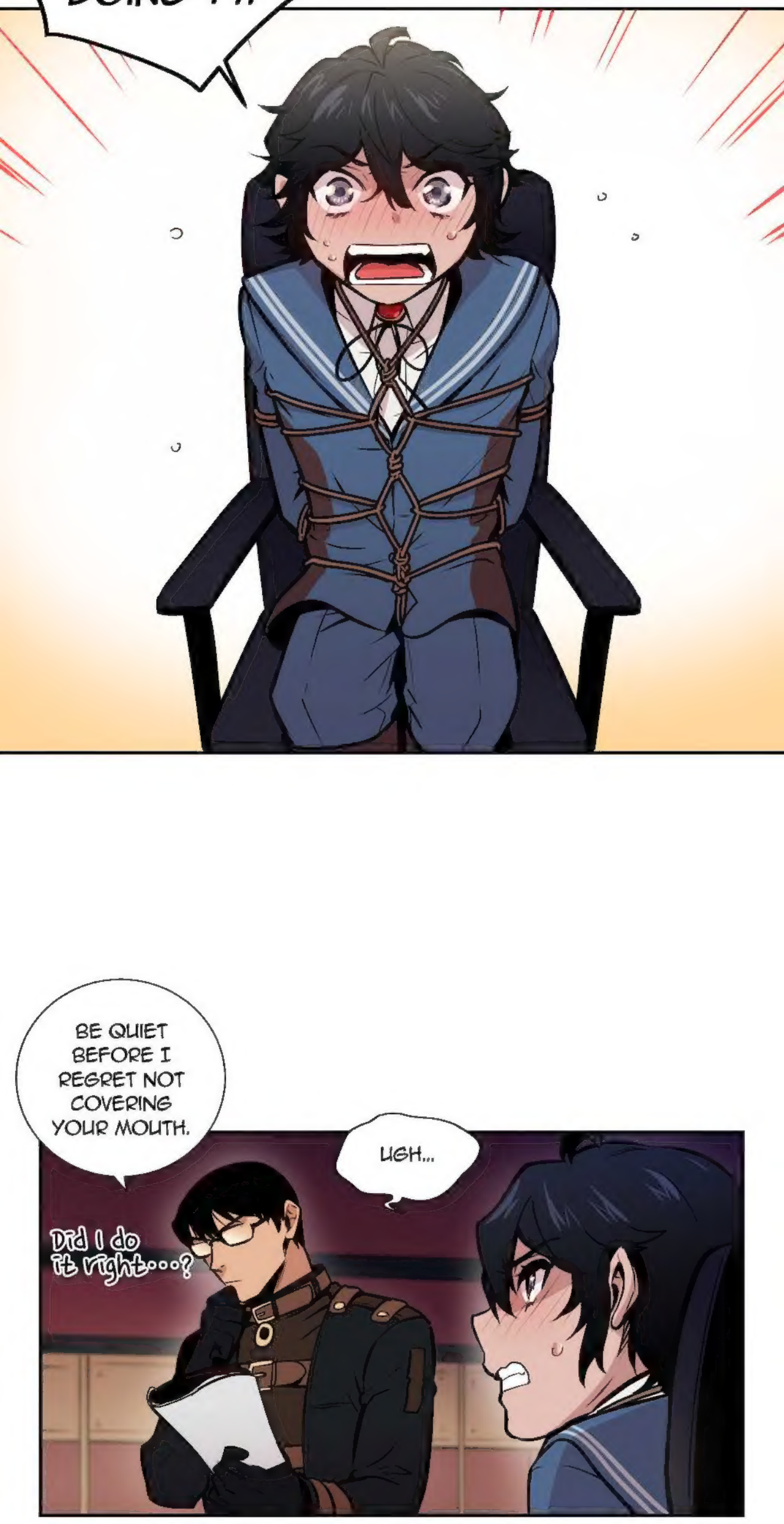
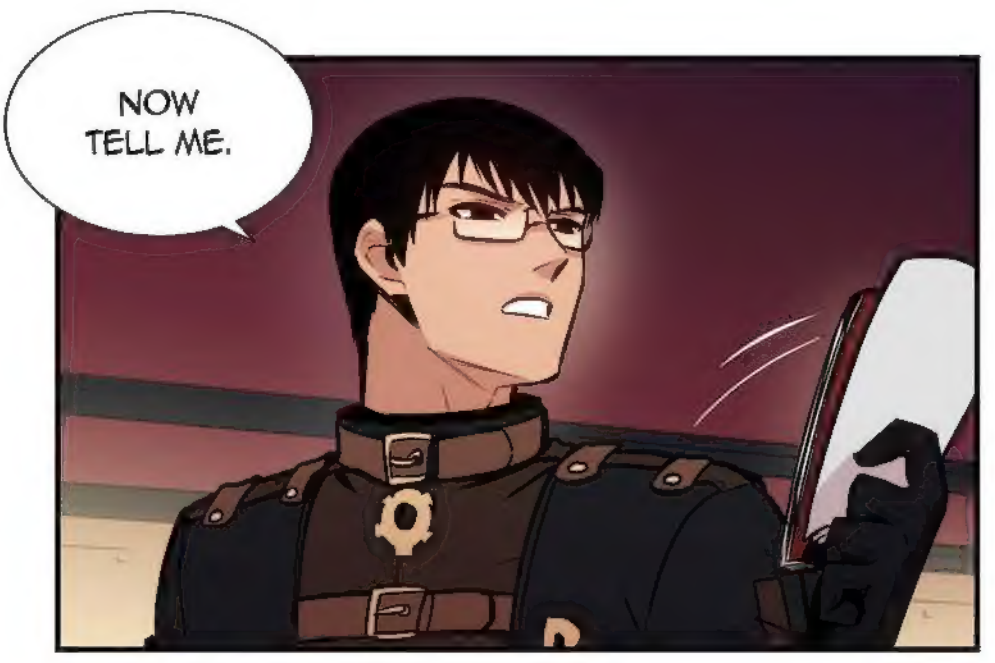
YOU DOING~?!!


BE QUIET BEFORE I REGRET NOT COVERING YOUR MOUTH.
UGH...
Did I do it right...?

Looks like it.



IS IT THAT WEIRD FOR AN ART TO BE IN THE PLAY ROOM?
STUPID BANKER.
MUMBLE
Stupid banker…?
IT IS. SINCE YOU WERE HIDING, WITHOUT YOUR MASTER.

TAP

IT'S GETTING ANNOYING SO LET'S STOP PRETENDING.

YOU KNOW SOMETHING, RIGHT?

WHAT WERE YOU EXPECTING HERE?

TELL ME

WHAT...?

ARE YOU...

REALLY A HUMAN...?

To be continued!